

V. REMARKS

Claims 1-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicant regards as the invention. The claims are amended to obviate the rejection. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over Neumann (U.S. Patent No. 3,839,129). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Neumann teaches an injected molded thermoplastic article that includes an integral mirror surface. The mirror surface includes a smooth foil that has a substrate layer that is integrally formed with the injected molded thermoplastic article during injection molding of it. A smooth and clear protective layer is bonded to the substrate layer. Also, a smooth and bright metallized layer is disposed between the protective layer and a substrate layer. The protective layer and the bright metallized layer are smoothed during injection molding of the article so that they cooperate to reflect visible light thereby providing a mirror surface.

Claims 1, 2 and 3, as amended, are directed to a sparkling laminate film comprised of a sparkling laminate film body including a transparent surface substrate, a metal vapor deposited layer comprised of a vapor deposited layer of an alloy consisting essentially of nickel, chromium, molybdenum and tungsten and another vapor deposited layer successively formed on a back surface of the transparent surface substrate and a backing material integrally laminated with the metal vapor deposited layer through an adhesive layer. For claim 1, the another vapor deposited layer is either chromium or chromium alloy; for claim 2, the another vapor deposited layer is either titanium or titanium alloy; and, for claim 3, the another vapor deposited layer is either nickel or nickel alloy.

It is respectfully submitted that the applied art fails to teach or suggest the features of claims 1, 2 and 3, as amended. Specifically, it is respectfully submitted that the applied art fails to teach or suggest a sparkling laminate film body that includes a vapor deposited layer of an alloy consisting essentially of

nickel, chromium, molybdenum and tungsten. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that one of ordinary skill in the art would not be motivated to modify the features of the applied art because the applied art is devoid of such features. As a result, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1, 2 and 3 are allowable over the applied art.

Claims 4-7 depend from independent claims 1, 2 and 3 and include all of the features of independent claims. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that the dependent claims are allowable at least for the reasons the independent claims are allowable as well as for the features they recite.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over Kurfman (U.S. Patent No. 4,510,208). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Kurfman discloses a duplex metal/organic polymer multilayer composite structure that includes at least one normally solid, formable thermoplastic polymer layer, a first normally solid metal layer and a second normally solid metal layer. The polymer layer has a forming temperature in degrees Kelvin, a first planar surface and a second planar surface with the first and second planar surfaces being generally parallel to each other. The first normally solid metal layer is intimately adhered to at least one planar surface of the polymer layer. The first metal layer is formed from an alloy of two or more metals. The first metal layer has a thickness within the range of from 0.01 micrometers to 0.5 micrometers and the alloy melts at a temperature or over a range of temperatures that is within a temperature range of from about 85 to about 150 percent of the forming temperature of the thermoplastic polymer layer. The second metal layer is intimately adhered to the first metal layer. The second metal layer is formed from a metal or an alloy of two or more metals that melts at a temperature or over a range of temperatures which is lower than that at which, or over which, melting of the metal alloy of the first metal layer occurs.

For the reasons set forth above, it is respectfully submitted that the applied art fails to teach or suggest the features of claims 1, 2 and 3, as amended. Specifically, it is respectfully submitted that the applied art fails to

teach or suggest a sparkling laminate film body that includes a vapor deposited layer of an alloy consisting essentially of nickel, chromium, molybdenum and tungsten. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that one of ordinary skill in the art would not be motivated to modify the features of the applied art because the applied art is devoid of such features. As a result, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1, 2 and 3 are allowable over the applied art.

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Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

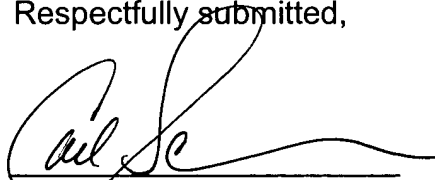
In view of the foregoing, reconsideration of the application and allowance of the pending claims are respectfully requested. Should the Examiner believe anything further is desirable in order to place the application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below.

Should additional fees be necessary in connection with the filing of this paper or if a Petition for Extension of Time is required for timely acceptance of the same, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 18-0013 for any such fees and Applicant(s) hereby petition for such extension of time.

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